

February 5, 2003

ALSTON & BIRD LLP PIONEER HI-BRED INTERNATIONAL, INC. BANK OF AMERICA PLAZA 101 SOUTH TYRON STREET, SUITE 4000 CHARLOTTE, NC 28280-4000 US

Dear Sir/Madam,

This is to Deny your refund request in the amount of \$740.00, for serial number 09/478,598.

A review of the application record reveals that no payment by check was recorded for this application.

Sincerely,

Technical Center 1600

Refund Section, Office of Finance